METHOD OF INDICATING DELAY

ABSTRACT

A method of wireless communication. The method includes the step of transmitting at least one message including delay information. This delay information may correspond with a delay length associated with accessing a service through an open loop network. The delay length may include a time interval between a first instant corresponding with a received service request and a second instant corresponding with granting service access. Alternatively, the delay length may comprise a time interval between a first instant corresponding with a received service request generating at a predefined moment in time and a second instant corresponding with granting service access. The delay length may correspond with traffic congestion, channel condition, system loading, processor occupancy, queuing delay, and/or scheduling delay, for example. The method may also include the step of collecting information corresponding with traffic, channel condition and/or service demand(s) to determine a pattern(s) over time using, for example, a heuristic technique.